DR. TALMAGE ON NEHEMIAH'S RIDE IN WRECKED JERU! ALEM.

The Enchantment of the Moonlight and Nehemiah's Resolve-Love of the Church of God-Rain and Redemption-The Great Good That Comes From Trouble.

weird and midnight experiences of one of ancient times Dr. Talmage in his sermon draws lessons startlingly appropriate. His text was Nehemiah ii. 'Then went I up in the night by the brook and viewed the wall and turned back and entered by the gate of the valley, and so returned."

A dead city is more suggestive than a living city-past Rome than present | begin. The reason that so many peo-Rome-ruins rather than newly frescoed cathedral. But the best time to visit a ruin is by moonlight. The Co-You may stand by daylight amid the monastic ruins of Melrose abbey and study shafted oriel and rosetted stone and mullion, but they throw their strongest witchery by moonlight. Some of you remember what the enchanter of Scotland sail in the "Lay of the Last Minstrel:"

Wouldst thou view fair Melrose aright,

Go visit it by the pale moonlight, Washington Irving describes the Andalusian moonlight upon the Alhambra ruin as amounting to an enchantment. My text presents you Jerusalem in ruins. The tower down. The gates down. The walls down. Everything down. Nehemiah on horseback by moonlight looking upon the ruins. While he rides there are some friends on foot going with him, for they do not want the many horses to disturb the suspicions of the people. These people do not know the secret of Nehemiah's heart, but they are going as a sort of bodyguard. I hear the clicking hoofs of the horse on which Nehemiah rides as he guides it this way and that, into this gate and out of that, winding through that gate amid the debris of once great Jerusa-

the tumbled masonry where he cannot | derstand ruin. pass. Now he shies off at the charred timbers. Now he comes along where the water under the moonlight flashes from the mouth of the brazen dragon after which the gate was named. Heavy hearted Nehemiah! Riding in and out, now by his old home desolated. now by the defaced temple, now amid the scars of the city that had gone down under battering ram and conflagration. The escorting party knows not what Nehemiah means. Is he getting crazy? Have his own personal sorrows, added to the sorrows of the nation, unbalanced his intellect? Still the midnight exploration goes on. Nehemish on horseback rides through the fish gate, by the tower of the furnaces, by the king's pool, by the dragon well, in and out, in and pleted, and Nehemish dismounts from his horse, and to the amazed and confounded and incordulated and confounded and confounded and incordulated and confounded and out, until the midnight ride is comdeclares the dead secret of his heart when he says, "Come now, let us build Jerusalem." "What, Nehemiah, have you any monore" the says and before he has stabled his horse he will take his feet out of the build Jerusalem." "What, Nehemiah, horse he will take his feet out of the more light for poor folks?" My dear, ah, have you any money?" "No." the ground, and he will kneel, cry"Have you any kingly authority?" the ground, and he will kneel, cry"No." "Have mercy on me. O God, your shelter, God will be your home. "Have you any elequence? Yet that midnight, moonlight ride of Nehemiah resulted in the glorious rebuilding of the city of Jerusalem. The people knew not how the thing was to be done, but with great enthusiasm they cried out, "Let us rise up now and build the city." Some people laughed and said it could not be done. Some people were infuriated and offered physical violence, saying the thing should not be done. But the workmenwent right on, standing on the wall, trowel in one hand, sword in the other, until the work was gloriously completed. At that very time in Greece Xenophon was writing a history, and Plato was making philosophy, and Demosthenes was rattling his rhetorical thunder. But all of them together did not do so much for the world as this midnight, moonlight

ride of praying, courageous, homesick, close mouth Nehemiah. My subject first impresses me with the idea, what an intense thing is church affection. Seize the bridle of pel, with no repentence in it, saying that horse and stop Nehemiah. Why are you risking your life here in the the time about the Redemption?" night? Your horse will stumble over useless exposure of your life. No. Nenemiah will not stop. He at last tells us the whole story. He lets us er in the palace of Artaxerxes Longimatter with you? You are not sick. I know you must have some great What is the matter with you?" Then he told the king how that beloved Jerusalem was broken down; how that his father's tomb had been desecrated; how that the temple had If there was any man in the world that the walls were scattered and brok-"what do you want?" the cupbearer Nehemiah, "I want to place." So it was. The hall of that go home. I want to fix up the grave palace was 200 feet square, and the beauty of the temple. I want to re-build the masonry of the city wall. tense blue of the sky, and the deep Besides I want passports so that I green of the forest foliage, and the shall not be hindered in my journey. white of the driven snow, all hung And besides that," as you will find in trembling in the upholstery. But, the context, "I want an order on the my friends, you know very well that man who keeps your forest for just fine architecture will not put down so much timber as I may need for the rebuilding of the city." "How long shall you be gone?" said the king. The give up. Then when you see him shall you be gone?" said the king. The going among these desolated streets, time of absence is arranged. In hot and by these dismantled towers, and haste this seeming advantage. haste this seeming adventurer comes by the torn up grave of his father, you to Jerusalem, and in my text we find | would suppose that he would have him on horseback in the midnight been disheartened, and that he would riding around the ruins. It is through have dismounted from his horse and the spectacles of this scene that we gone to his room and said: "Woe is discover the ardent attachment of Ne me! My father's grave is torn up. nemiah for sacred Jerusalem, which The temple is dishonored. The walls in all ages has been the type of the are broken down. I have no money church of God, our Jerusalem which with which to rebuild, I wish I had we love just as much as Nehemiah never been born. I wish I were loved his Jerusalem. The fact is that | dead." Not so says Nehemiah. Alyou love the church of God so much | though he had a grief so intense that that there is no spot on earth so sa- it excited the commentary of his king, cred, unless it be your own fire yet that penniless, expatriated Nehe-

nothing that makes you so irate as to hastens away to Jerusalem. By night have it talked against. If there have on horseback he rides through the been times when you have been car ruins. He overcomes the most ferolonged for the church, our holy Jeru- ty and patriotism of the people, and ried into captivity by sickness, you just as much as Nehemiah longed for his Jerusalem, and the first day you come out you came to the house of the Lord. When the temple was in ruins, like Nehemiah, you walked around and looked at it, and Nehemiah, the church of God is to you. Skeptics and infidels may sooff at the Skeptics and infid Sabbaths.

can take the words of the kingly post as he said. "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her to ruin the iron, but to prepare it for cupning." You understand in your a better use. On, that the Lord God own experience the pathos, the homesickness, the curage, the holy enthusiasm of Nehemiah in his midnight, moonlight ride around the rains of this beloved Jerusalem. Again, my text impresses me with

the fact that before reconstruction

there must be an exploration of ruins. Why was not Nehemiah asleep under the covers? Why was not his horse stabled in the minnight? Lat the police of the city arrest this midnight house of God and said: "Give me rider, out on some mischief. No. and he is making the preliminary exploration. In this gate, out that gate, east, west, north, south. All through before the work of reconstruction can ple in this day, apparently converted, do not stay converted is because they did not first explore the rains of their They have not found out that "the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked." They had an idea that they were almost right, and they built religion as a sort of extension, as an ornamental cupola. There was a superstructure of religion built on a substratum of unrepented sins. The trouble with a good deal of modern theology is that instead of building on the right foundation, it builds on the debris of an unregenerated nature. They attempt to rebuild Jerusalem before, in the midnight of conviction, they have seen the ghastliness of the ruin. They have such a poor foundation for their religion that the verted in the old fashioned way-John ers around Walter's name. Bunyan's way, John Wesley's way, John Calvin's way, Paul's way, God's way. A dentist said to me, Now the horse comes to dead halt at understand redemption until you un-

A man tells me that some one is a member of the church, It makes no impression on my mind at all. simply want to know whether he was converted in the old fashioned way, or whether he was converted in the new fashioned way. If he was converted in the old fashioned way, he will stand. If he was converted in the new fashioned way, he will not stand. That is all there is about it. A man comes to me to talk about religion. The first question I ask him is, "Do you feel yourself to be a sinner?" If he say, Well, I-yes," the hesitancy makes me feel that that man wants a ride on Nehemiah's horse by midnight through the ruins-in by the gate of his affections; out by the gate of his will-and before he has got through with that right hand and smite on his heart and according to thy loving kindness, according unto the multitude of thy tenthee." Ah, my friends, you see this little graves in the cemetery—so much is not a complimentary gospel. That comes to a man of a million dollars, | -and the old sexton said, and impenitent in his sins, and says, heaven, and I think the Saviour is "You're a pauper." It comes to a woman of fairest cheek, who has never repented, and says, "You're a sinner." It comes to a man priding himself on his independence, and says, "You're bound hand and foot by the devil. It comes to our entire race, and says "You're a ruin, a gnastly ruin, an illimitable ruin." Saian sometimes ays to me: "Why do you preach says to me: that truth? Why don't you preach a gospel with no repentence in it? Why had that keen, tender, indescribable don't you flatter men's hearts so that you make them feel all right? Why don't you preach a humanitarin gos-

I say, "Get thee behind me, satan. these ruins and fall on you. Stop this I would rather lead five souls into safety than 20,000 in perdition. redemption of the gospel is a perfect farce if there is no ruin. "The whole know he was an exile in a far distant land, and he was a servant, a cubbear are sick." "If any one, though he be an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel than this," says the apos-tle, "let him be accursed." There manus, and one day, while he was the gospel than this, says the apos-handing the cup of wine to the king must be the midnight ride over the the king said to him: "What is the ruins before Jerusalem can be built. ruins before Jerusalem can be built. There must be the clicking of the hoofs before there can be the ring of the

nothing about the ruin, talking all

trowels. Again. My subject gives me a specimen of busy and triumphant sadness. been dishonored and defaced; how who had a right to mope and give up everything as lost, it was Nehemiah. You say, "He was a cupbearer in the "Well," says King Artaxerxes. You say, "He was a cuppearer in the hat do you want?" "Well," said palace of Shushan, and it was a grand palace of Shushan palace of of my father. I want to restore the roof hovered over 36 marble pillars, miah rouses himself up to repuild the The church has been to you so much city. He gets his permission of abcomfort and illumination that there is sence. He gets his passports. He cious opposition. He arouses the piein less than two menths-namely, 52

what I call busy and triumphant sad ness. My friends, the whole temptation i with you when you have trouble to in the moonlight you stood listening do just the opposite to the behaviour if you could not hear the voice of the of Nehemiah, and that is to give up. dead organ, the psalm of the expired | You say, "I have lost my child and What Jerusalem was to can never smile again." You say, "I

days-Jerusalem was rebuilt. That's

anvil and best with stroke after stroke of Nehemiah would rouse up all broken hearted people to rebuild! Whipped, betrayed, shipwrecked, imprisoned, Paul went right on. The Italian martyr Algerius sits in his dungeon writing a letter, and he dates it, "From the delectable orchard of the Leonine prison." That is what call triumphagt sadness. I knew a mother who buried her babe on Fri day and on Sabbath appeared in the

a class. Givs me a Sabbath school Nehemiah is going to rebuild the city, classs. I have no child now left me, and I would like to have a class of little children. Give me a class off the back street." That, I say, is beauthe ruins. The ruins must be explored | tiful. That is triumphant sadness At 3 o'clock every Sabbath afternoon for years in a beautiful parlor in Philadelphia - a parlor pictured and statwas called to comfort a great sorrow. offices. the cossia resound in my ears today. There seemed to be no use of praying, for when I kaelt down to pray the outery in the room drowned out all the prayer. But the Lord comforted that sorrow. They did not forget their trouble. If you should go any afternoon into Laurel Hill, you would find a monument with the word wreath of fresh flowers around the thing to say about the matter as long first northeast storm of temptation name. I think there was not an hour as the issue was pending in the courts

it huris. It is in your business as in my profession. We have to hurt before we can help." You will never is a man who has lost his properly is a man who has lost his property. or any other horse, and that Mr. E rans He does not go to hard drinking. He had no right, title or claim whatever does not destroy his own life. He on the mare, and that this he expected comes and says: "Harness me for to prove in the courts at the proper Christian work. My money's gone. time, and that was just as soon as it I have no treasure on earth. I want was possible to do so. The contention treasures in heaven. I have a voice on which Governor Ellerbe claims and a heart to serve God." You say absolute possession of Sally is, how-that that man has failed. He has not ever, given from entirely satisfactory

faited-he has triumphed. Oh, I wish I could persuade all the people who have any kind of trouble never to give up! I wish they would look at the midnight rider of the text, and that the four hoofs of that beast on which Nehemiah rode might cut to pieces all your discouragements Mr. George W. Haight, a horse trainand hardships and trials. Give up! Who is going to give up when on the ing of horses for people in this State, bosom of God he can have all his was here and Governor Ellerbe turned troubles hushed? Give up! Never think of giving up. Are you borne down with poverty? A little child was found holding her dead mother's hand in the darkness of a tenement house, and some one coming in the little girl looked up, while holding her dead mother's hand, and said, Are you borne down with the bereavements of life? Is the house lone-"Sir, you know that of such is the kingdom of pleased when he sees so much white clover growing around these little

But when the minister pressed the old sexton for a more satisfactory answer the old sexton said, "Sir, about these larger graves, I don't know who are the Lord's saints and who are not, but you know sir, it is clean different with the bairns." Oh, if you have sorrow that comes from the loss of a child, do not give up. The old sexton was right. It is all well with the bairns. Or, if you have sinned, if you have sinned greviously—sinned until you have been cast out by the church, sinned until you have been cast out by society—do not give up. Perhaps there may be in this house

Once I was pure as the snow, but I fell-Fell like a snowflake, from heaven to hell-Fell to be trampled as filth in the street-Fell to be scoffed at, spit on and beat, Praying, cursing, wishing to die, Selling my soul to whoever would buy, Dealing in shame for a morsel of bread Hating the living and fearing the dead.

Do not give up. One like unto the Son of God comes to you today, saying, "Go and sin no more," while he cries out to your assailants, 'Let him that is without sin case the first stone at her." Oh, there is no reason why any one in this house by reason of any trouble or sin should give up. Are you a foreigner and in a strange land? Nehemiah was an exile. Are you penniless? Nehemiah was poor. Are you homesick? Nehemiah was homesick. Are you broken hearted? Nehemiah was broken hearted. But just see him in the text, riding along the sacrileged grave of his father and by the dragon well and through the fish gate and by the king's pool, in and out, in and out, the moonlight falling on the broken masonry, which throws a long shadow, at which the horse shies, and at the same time that moonlight kindling up the features of this man till you see not only the mark of sad reminiscence, but the courage and hope, the enthusiasm of a man who knows that Jerusalem will be rebuilded. I pick you up today, out of your sins and out of your sorrow, and I put you against the warm heart of Christ. "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everiasting arms."

Less of Life and Property. MEMPHIS. April 7.-The following table closely estimates to date the loss of life and property occasioned by the present great flood along the Missis-

Total number of lives lost..... Total number of people made homeless......150,000 Total number of refugees report-cued......100,000 Total number of farm animals drown-Total square miles of land sub-Number of men fighting the flood20,000

A Modern Bluebeard.

then bring the hot iron out on the ALL FOR A SORREL MARE.

WILL BE CARRIED TO COURT. Mr. Barnari Evans Says Governor Ellerbe Made an Election Bet With Him Pledging His Blooded Mare "Jally." Which

A DISPUTE AS TO THE OWNERSHIP

COLUMBIA, April 7.—There is a beautiful chestnut sorrel mare that is seen very often on the streets of Columbia. She is a neat and spry animal, and knows how to make a mile in quick time. There is a bit of history back of this mare that is not generally known, although it has been whispered about the city for several months.

The mare, Sally, by name, is the occasion of a lawsuit that promises to be quite interesting, both from the facts that are to be brought out, as uetted-there were from 10 to 20 des | well as the personnel of those who titute children of the street. Those make up the principal parties to the liseum is far more fascinating to the own heart. The reason that there are destitute children received religious suit. It is not a usual thing for the traveler after sundown than before. so many professed Christians who in instruction, concluding with cakes Governor of a State and the brother this day he and forge and steal, and and sandwiches. How do I know of a former Governor to go to law commit abominations, and go to the that that was going on for 16 years? about the possession of a horse, but penitentiary, is because they first do I know it in this way: That was the such is the case in this instance—it is not learn the ruin of their own heart. first home in Philadelphia where I more usual for the contests to be for

They had a splendid boy, and he had been drowned at Long Branch. The Evans, now of Columbia, is driving father and mother almost idolized the and claiming ownership of the mare boy, and the sob and shriek of that Sally. Governor Ellerbe contends father and mother as they hung over most emphatically that the mare belongs to him, and that Mr. Evans has no claim whatever on the aforesaid mare.

asked for his side of the litigation. He promptly said that the matter was in the courts, and that he did not think "Walter" inscribed upon it and a that it was right for him to have anyblows them down. I have no faith in in 20 year, winter or summer, when of the State. He said that there were a man's conversion if he is not con- there was not a wreath of fresh flow- others who were familiar with his side But the Christian mother who sent bi ink question whether he had made

> It appears that Governor Ellerbe bought the mare "Sally," from the stock farm at Pendleton, with which Major Augustine T. Smythe, of Charleston, is connected. The mare was of fine stock, with a record of 2.22. er, who has had charge of the train-"Sally" over to Mr. Haight for the purpose of having her trained. Mr. Haight also had for the purpose of training a brother of "Sally," named

"Ely," belonging to Major Smythe,

of Charleston. It was suggested to Mr.

Ellerbe, after Mr. Haight had had his mare for some time, that he might "Oh, I do wish that God had made have trouble in getting his mare back from Mr. Haight, and Mr. Ellerbe understood that Major Smythe had experienced considerable trouble in getting back his horse "Ely," that Mr. Haight had put up one of his horses, ly now that the child is gone? Do and that when Mr. Smythe wanted his sions, for I acknowledge my trans-gressions, and my sins are ever before sexton said when the minister asked feed and the like, but Mr. Smythe finhim why he put so much care on the ally managed to get his horse back. little graves in the cemetery—so much Mr. Ellerbe then became worried is not a complimentary gospet. That more care than on the larger graves about his animal and kept a look out for her. Mr. Ellerbe found that Mr. Haight had taken his racing stable to Savannah, and among the harses taken was "Sally." About this time Gov. Ellerbe was in Columbia, and he says that he met Mr. Evans at the State House, and the two got to talking about the mare. Mr. Evans told Governor Ellerbe, so the story of this side goes, that he was going to Savannah on a free pass. Governor Ellerbe re marked that he might get "Sally" while he was down there. Mr. Evans suggested that he be given an order on Mr. Haight for the mare. They went into the Comptroller General's office, and the order was duly given for Mr. Evans to get the horse. Governor Ellerbe did not think that Mr. Evans would be able to get the mare, as he feared that Mr. Haight would have all kinds of charges for feed and the like for the mare, but to his surprise Mr. one that could truthfully utter the Evans gct the mare, and had her lamentation of another:

Evans gct the mare, and had her brought to Columbia. Governor Ellerbe, it is said, promised Mr. Evans that he could drive the mare for a month or two, or until he wanted her, if he succeeded in getting her from Mr. Haight, and on this condition, and this alone, Governor Ellerbe is

said to have given the order. Governor Ellerbe, it is understood contends that he never heard that the horse was to be regarded as a wager until after he came to Columbia and made claim for it. After Mr. Evans had the horse for a while he though he might as well let him hold on to her until he came over as Governor. Governor Ellerbe will swear when the case comes to trial that he did not make any bet with Mr. Evans, and that the horse was never given to Mr. Evans for any consideration whatever, and that the distinct understanding was that he was to get the horse as soon as he wanted her. Governor Ellerbe will say that he may have jokingly made a wager with Mr. Evans that he would do this or that, but that he has never in his life made a wager with Mr. Evans or anyone else. There even the intimation that Mr. Evans had an idea that the case would not go to court, as Governor Mellerbe did not want even the suggestion that he wagered on elections. Governor Ellerbe, however, it appears, has put the case in the hands of his counsel, Mr. J. T. Barron, of this city, and has instructed him to push the case to the end and to recover the horse at any cost, and that he will bring suit for damages to cover the use of the horse under the protest of Governor Ellerbe.

Governor Ellerbe, when he came to Columbia, asked for the horse to drive with the full sister of "Sally," but the return was refused apparently much to his surprise. Under an arrangement, which seems to be in dispute, Governor Eller be obtained possession of the mare. Governor Elierbe says that as his buggy had not arrived, and he had obtained the one to which the mare had been driven he told Mr. Evans that he would lend him the mare whenever he wanted to use her out of courtesy for the use of the bug- Today's advices gave a more extended gy. Mr. Evans sent for the mare to take a five mile trip in the country. and Governor Eilerbe sent him word that he could have the sister to "Sally" as "Sally" was being treated for her legs, and that he did not like her to be driven for so long a distance. On the following Saturday Governor Eilerbe

known when it will come up.

It is understood that Governor Ellerbe says that Mr. Evans has as much right to any mule on his plantation as he has to the mare "Saily," and that he is very much outraged at the turn the case bas taken, and the contention of Mr. Evans, in which there is he contends absolutely no foundation in fact. Now for the other side of the mat er, and just here it is to be said

that the very best sources of infor-

mation were used and the facts here

given as best they could be derived

and without any favor what-ever. Mr. Barnard B. Evans was

seen at his insurance office early this

morning, and asked about the case. He said that he would not have any thing to say about the case, as it was in the courts, and he did not think it right for nim to come out and say anything at this time, but added that he would be heard from when the case came to trial, and that he expected to hold on to the horse and that it was his property by every right and title. He, however, referred to a friend who could and would give all the information that was solicited. It was learned that Mr. Evans's side of the matter is like this: In the campaign of 1894, when Mr. Ellerbe and Mr. John Gary Evans ran for Gover-nor in the State primary, Mc. John Gary Evans mapped out his plan of campaign, and told his brother, Mr. Barney Evans, that he wanted him Mr. B. B. Evans) to look after Anderson County, and see that everything possible was done to have the county go for him. On Saturday Tais morning about 9 o'clock Govwhen the campaign party was at Lexernor Ellerbe was seen at the execuington court house, the Gubernatorial tive office relative to the matter, and candidates did not attend the meeting. Mr. Barnard B. Evans was on the train going to Florence, and Governor Eilerbe was on the same train going to Marion, his home. They got to talking about the near approaching primary, and Governor Ellerbs, the contention is pulled out an envelope of the case. When asked the point on which he had a list of counties which he said he would carry in the those flowers there, having no child a bet with Mr. Barnard B. Evans, on primary. Mr. Evans questioned his left, Sabbath afternoons mothered 10 which the horse is contended to have carrying these counties, and went on to say that he noted that Anderson was on the list, and that he was certain that his brother, Governor Evans, would carry the county. Mr. Ellerbe did not agree with his idea, and Mr. Evans will contend that before the discussion closed Governor Ellerbe said: "I will give you a fine chestnut sorrel mare, against \$5 if I don't carry Anderson County." Mr. Evans will hold that he asked Governor Ellerbe if he was in earnest, and he replied by saying. "I won't make a bet with you, but I will give you that fine mare against \$5 if I do dot carry Anderson County. Mr. Evans pro-posed that they "shake" on that. Governor Ellerbe agreed to this, and they, it is said, shook hands. Mr. Evans contends that this was a bona fide agreement and as such he proposed to keep the horse, which was given him under the terms named. They are breakfast together at Florence. Mr. Evans, it is said, cut his visit short so as to return to Anderson

County and see that all possible work was done for the carrying of the county for his brother and the winning of he mare. The primary was held, and Anderson County went for Mr. John Gary Evans. Subsequently, Mr. Evans will contend, he met Governor Ellerbe in the city and asked him "What about that horse?" Governor It was stated on the streets yester-Ellerbe gave him an order for "Sally" day that Mesers Dosher and Mantone in due form, he went to Savannah and got the horse that he won on Anderson County, and under this, Mr. Evans says, he has a perfect right to hold and keep the mare, and will fight the case to the end.

Governor Ellerbe when he came to Columbia asked for the return of the mare. Mr. Evans refused to return her. Then, it is said by Mr. Evans's side, that Governor Ellerbe asked Mr. Evans to come up to the Mansion to see him about the matter. Mr. Evans went there with his friend, Mr. Bones. Mr. Evans refused to "lend" Governor Ellerbe the horse, as he requested, so it goes, unless he had something in writing. Governor Ellerbe refused to give anything in writing to show that he had borrowed the horse, his contention being that the horse belonged to "You can have her whenever him. you want her, on the word of the Governor of the State," was the statement of Governor Ellerbe, is the conention, and on such a plane Mr. Evans, it is stated, gave the use of the mare to Governor Ellerba. A few days afterwards Mr. Erans wanted the mare to take a trip in the country, and sent for the mare. Governor Ellerbe sent back word that he was having 'Sally" treated, and offered the use of "Sally's" sister. Mr. Evans declined, and took this as a refusal to return his horse or let him use his own property. A few days after this Mr. Evans saw the mare and took possession of her. This brought on the proceedings for claim and delivery, the bond for the mare and the

proceedings in the courts for the possession of the mare. Mr. B. L. Abney, of this bar. been employed to represent Mr. Evans in the litigation, and Mr. Evans also expects to see the fight through to the finish, and contends that Governor Ellerbe will never from the facts of the case get possession of the mare. It is said by Governor Ellerbe's side that Mr. Evans has offered, since the litigation began, to buy the mare and other compromises. All of these Governor Ellerbe has dsclined to entertain in any way, as he wishes the matter settled once for all as a question has been raised, and on the other hand the representatives of Mr. Evans contend that they have made absolutely no overtures to purchese "Sally" or any other kind of advances, but are anxious for the case to be tried. Mr. D. C. Ray, of the firm of Barron & Ray, said today that the papers army to enforce its decrees?

for trial.—Charleston News and Cou-Want at the Doors of Thousands. GREENVILLE, Miss., April 8.-The condition of affairs in this section of the Mississippi river continues serious. Want is today at the door of many laborers. The Yazo, Miss., delta tionized to prevent the depreciation of embraces ten counties with a population of nearly 400,000, people, 70 per cent, of which are farm laborers. secretary of war has kept himself in telegraphic communication with the governor of Mississippi seeking information concerning the needs of the flooded districts. Governor McLaurin in turn has kept in telegraphic communication with the representative men of the delta, and yet he has advised that assistance was not needed. report of the prevailing condition, and the leading planters and business men | tendency does not flourish with Eastof Washington county sent a dispatch era civilization alone. It stalks to the governor appealing for government aid.

Leaving Low Lands. LEAVENSWORTH, April S .- The river droze down to the barber shop with is within five feet of the flood of 1881 In former times the merchant sold his Sally," and while he was in the shop and still rising steadily, having come goods and was content with the profits LEWISBURG, W. Va., April 9.—The Mr. Evans went up to the negro in up two inches since yesterday. The made in the simple process of ex-

VANCE WAS ELECTED

State Liquor Commissioner by the State

COLUMBIA, S. C. April 9 - The State board of control was in session nearly all day yesterday, but it was negotiations were in progress looking not until about midnight last night to the control of the Carolina Midland that the results of the day's work railroad by the South Carolina and could be ascertained. During the day, at noon, the members of the board risited the executive chamber by invitation of Gov. Ellerbe and a conference was held in regard to the matter of the granting of hotel and beer privileges. Gov. Ellerbe frankly told that the Constitution and the act gave the beard crany one else the right to company had just been organized grant such special privileges. His and when it seemed certain that the position was that the law should apply to every citizen of the State equal-The conference was a pleasant

Last night the board announced that t had decided, in view of the governor's attitude, to grant no more such applying for them, until the matter can be definitely settled. A case will be arranged at once and carried before the State supreme court, the object being to have the question judicially determined forthwith. In the meantime all privileges heretofore granted will stand as they are. It is expected toat the case can be heard next week-Last night the board went into the much-talked-of elections. Practically all of them were disposed of save that for clerk of the board. In the meantime Mr. Scruggs, who has been the clerk of the board since its formation, will continue to discharge the duties of that office for a month, and his two assistants will remain in their respective positions.

One ballot was taken for the chairmabship of the board now held by Col. Wilie Jones. Tae ballot resulted thit 1, blank 1. The last vote was cast by Col. Jones. There was no election, and the board decided to let this matter go over to the next meeting. Mr. Samuel W. Vance, of Laurens,

the efficient assistant clerk of the house of representatives for several years, was elected State liquor commissioner. Oa the streets this selection met with general approval. Mr. Vance is a popular man and is well qualified for the duties of the office. There were numerous candidates for been acting commissioner, it is said, did not receive a single vote.

Mr. D. A. G. Outz, who has been the shipping clerk of the dispensary since its establishment, was re-elected to that position. Mr. R. E. Blakeley was likewise reelected clerk to the commissioner.

The fice of superintendent former ly held by Mr. Gaston under Col Mixson's administration, was abolish ed and the position of foreman created in its stead. Mr. T. E. Dickson, of Oconee, was elected to fill the new position. His salary was fixed at \$75 a month.

Mr. John B. Dorn, of Edgefield, was elected as head drayman of the dispensary, succeeded Mr. Ward, who has held the position for several years. The usual purchases of liquors were made, but no information as to the amounts purchased or from whom purchased was made public.

day that Messrs. Dosher and Mantoue, two well-known wholesale liquor dealers, were ready to make a proposition to the board to have them turn the entire business over to them, guaranteeing to pay the State \$250,000 cash annually and give a bond of No direct confirmation of this could \$500,000 for complying with the law. be obtained yesterdy, but is based up-This offer was not officially made to on authority which is deemed worthy the board, and had it been it would of credit. not have been within the power of the board to consider it, such a proposition being a matter for the legislature alone.—State.

THE TARHEEL WAR TALK.

Gov. Russell Intimates That He Would

GREENSBORO, N. C., April 7.-The injunction case of the Southern railway against Governor Russell, Attorney General Walser and the North Carolina railroad, was continued to June Sih. at Ashaville.

The case is to decide who are the lirectors of the road, those appointed by Governor Carr before he went out. or those appointed by Governor Russell since he came in. The trial was continued in order

and become a party to the suit. Hon. John G. Carlisle, ex Secretary of the treasury, is one of the attorneys for the Southern Railway Company. Es Judge A. C. Avery and McRse & Day are counsels for the State. Judge Simonton granted the temp

rary injunction. Governor Russel has intimated that he would not pay any attention to the court's injunction if it did not please him to do so. In their brief, the Governor and Attorney General, answering the Southern railway, say: "If it is true, as contented for the resplendents, that the For further information address The effect of the restraining order it so Keeley Institute, or Drawer 27, Columbia, prchibit the Governor and Attorney General of North Carolina from bringing, or threatening to bring suits that the law either vests them with discretion to bring, or aid in bringing, or make it imperative duty to bring, will the court enforce its mandate? If not, the order is mere fruten fulmen. Suppose these officers disobey the order, where will the court get its dosse comitatus to compsi obedience? If neither the Governor nor the legislature should call for troops, can the court declare the State to be in rebellion and call for the army to enforce its decrees? Will it have been filed, and the case docketed imprison and depose the Governor without a trial? If the court proposes to yield in case of refusal to obey, on the ground that it has exhausted its power, why drive matters to such an extremity.'

"If it is proposed to use the federal army to force a Governor to abdicate, then the government will be revolua block of bonds.'

The Idolatry of Gold.

NEW YORK, April 6 .- Rev. Dr. W

S. Rainsford, in a recent sermon, said: "Sympathizing men and women look with consternation and dismay on the coercion of a Christian people in the interest of the Turk by the Christian powers of Europe. What is the explanation of this. It exemplifies the unspeakable selfishness and greed of the world. The powers have Turkish bonds which must be paid. But this

among us, the sin of our day, the great overwhelming threat against our civilization. This mad idolatry of gold transforms, not only our so-cial, but our moral and political life.

THE CAROLINA MIDLAND RAILROAD. The South Carolina and Georgia Railroad

Wants It. A gentleman who professed to know what he was talking about told a reporter of the Augusta Chronicle that railroad by the South Carolina and signed by some of the interested parties, and that if no hitch in the proceedings came about that the transfer in the management of the line would take place at no very distant date. the board that he did not consider will be remembered that some time ago when the Security Construction Charleston and Macon line was to be built, the Carolina Midland was expected to become an important part of the new system of roads. The property had been leased to the Greenwood Anderson and Western company, the will soon become the fat and frolicking joy road projected to the upper part of the privileges, though several have been state and contracted by Col. Mike Brown. Then came the troubles in the taste and only cost 25 cepts per bottle. that concern resulting in a receiver ship and a final termination of the lease of the Carolina Midland. The property then went back into the hands of its original owners, and there it remains today. The receivership had appeared to put an end to the Charleston and Macon enterprise so far at least as the Carolina Midland was concerned. And now comes the gentlemen, who was referred to above with the statement that the road is to be absorbed by the South Carolina and Georgia road, and thus become a part of the system which the Messrs.

Parsons are building for this city and section. The Carolina Midland has for the greater part of many years maintained close traffic relations with the Carolina and Georgia. Having no natural outlet of its own, it has in as follows: Jones 2, Williams 1, Dou- a large measure been dependent upon its connections. The South Carolina and Georgia road being the most available and prominent of these the rela tions between it and the Carolina Midland have, in the nature of the case, been very close. It is true that for some time, and in the last year or tients, more than 20,000 of these being physo especially, the business men of Charleston have been taught to look to the Carolina Midland as an availa ble link in a new system to the west. Many of them had hoped to see the line extended to the up-country. In this way they had thought to see the position. Mr. Gaston, who has Charleston the water terminus of two great lines, one that referred to, and the other the South Carolina and

Georgia road, working in conjunction with the Louisville and Nashville system. Barring the possibility of the Carolina Midland being extended to Charleston, there is, however, no way in which it could be rendered of more direct and practical aid to Charleston than as a part of the South Carolina and Georgia road. The new management of that company has but recently acquired control of the Augusta Southern, and in other ways t has evinced a desire to build up a stronger railroad combination than she has possessed in many years, stronger, probably, than any system ever before operated in the exclusive interest of Charleston port. In the construction of such a system as that which is apparently contemplated by President Parsons the Carolina Midland would appear to the ordinary observer to be a natural link. The rentleman who gave the information to the reporter said that, as he understood it, the South Carolina and

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